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ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS

WRA Digest of Current Job Offers For Period of April 16 to April 30, 1944
Investigated And Approved By This Office

SUMMARY OF CURRENT JOB OFFER SITUATION

Many issei have relocated in the central Illinois area. They report that the jobs are to their liking, that they have found satisfactory housing, and that they find the language difficulty is not serious. They advise us that they are becoming adjusted to their new homes. It is suggested that issei interested in relocation send us information as to the area in which they would like to relocate, some information concerning their experience and the kind of jobs they are interested in, and also include the number in the family so that consideration can be given to doing some advance work for possible housing.

Farm offers from the rural areas and gardening jobs from the urban areas continue to be received in this office. The farmers are in desperate need for help and are anxious to secure Japanese American labor as soon as possible.

SUMMARY OF CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION

Housing is tight in general although single rooms are available. The YWCA and the USO-Travelers Aid agency are assisting us in locating housing for resettlers.

Job Offer Digest

Men

ASSEMBLER

Work in assembly line of factory manufacturing water pumps. Wages: 60¢ per hour to start; 1½ after 40 hours.

COOK

1st and 2nd cook for small restaurant. 48 hour week. \$30 per week with meals for 1st cook; \$20 per week with meals for 2nd cook.

FARM HELPER

Single man around 30 years of age to work in farm school for boys. 10 acres of truck garden. Wages, \$85 per month with room and board. Durand, Ill.

FARM LABORER

Single men with general farming and tractor experience. \$75 per month plus maintenance. Cherry Valley, Caledonia, Stillman Valley, Seward, Ill.

GARDENER

Single men to work for three or four families taking care of lawns, shrubbery, and flowers. Wages, 60¢ per hour. Single man for gardener; can work in garage operated by employer in inclement weather. Wages, \$120 to \$140 a month.

Women

BAKERY WORKER

General work in bakery; opportunity to learn trade. Wages, \$26 per week to start.

DOMESTIC

Unlimited offers. \$12 to \$25 per week with room and board. Also part-time work, wages dependent on hours and ability.

FACTORY WORKER

10 girls (25-35) for work in manufacture of wool yarn. 50¢ per hour raised to 60¢ from third week. Bonus arrangement. Housing at not more than \$3.00 per week. Rochelle, Ill.

HOSPITAL WORKER

2 girls for tray work in Catholic hospital. \$60 per month plus room and board.

PRESSER

Woman to do general pressing in cleaning establishment. Experience desired but not necessary. 50¢ per hour to start.

Couple

FARM WORKER

Work on combination dairy and grain farm for husbands with knowledge of farm power machinery and general farming experience. Housing available for couple or small family units. \$100 per month to start. Seward, Rockton, Garden Prairie, Kirkland, Ill.

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